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Title : PROKARYOTIC REVERSE
: TRANSCRIPTASE



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(Formerly 377.5888P)

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 16, 2001, Applicants amend the application as follows:

In the Specification (clean copy as amended)

Please replace the first paragraph on page 11 with the following:

Figure 14 shows the amino acid sequence alignment of bacterial RT carried out according to Xiong and Eickbush EMBO Journal, 9(10): 3353-3362, (1990). Amino acids highly conserved in eukaryotic Rts are shown at the top of the sequences. These amino acids include largely unvaried residues or chemically similar residues. (h) Hydorphobic residue; (p) small polar residues; (c) charged residue. Amino acids conserved in all seven bacterial

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Attorney Docket No. of Prior Application	377.5888P
First Named Inventor	Sumiko Inouye
Examiner Name	R. Hutson
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This is a request for a ☒ continuation or ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d),
(continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 08 / 808,031,
filed on 03/03/97, entitled PROKARYOTIC REVERSE TRANSCRIPTASE.

NOTES

FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. Effective May 29, 2000, a CPA may only be filed in a utility or a plant application if the prior nonprovisional application was filed before May 29, 2000. A CPA may be filed in a design application regardless of the filing date of the prior application. See "Request for Continued Examination Practice changes to and Provisional Application Practice," Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office (Apr. 11, 2000).

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

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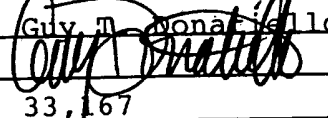
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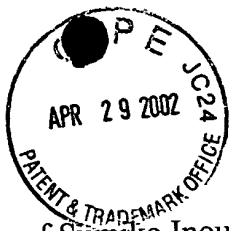
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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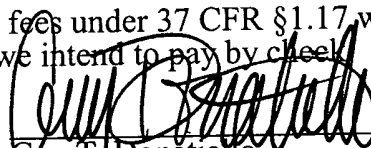
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